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EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.

Subject: Plainwell Mill Property, Plainwell, Michigan October/November 2006 Progress Report

Dear Sam:

As required by Task 8, *Progress Reports*, in the Statement of Work for the RI/FS at the Plainwell Inc., Mill Property, I am submitting the attached progress report for the period from October 14, 2006, through November 17, 2006, for the above-referenced site.

Please call me, at (253) 924-3746, if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

Weyerhaeuser Company

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**Environmental Manager** 

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## Progress Report No. 3 October 14, through November 17, 2006

## Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Plainwell, Inc., Mill Property, Plainwell, Michigan

This progress report is being submitted in accordance with Task 8, *Progress Reports*, and the *Schedule for Major Deliverables* contained in the Statement of Work for the RI/FS at the Plainwell, Inc., Mill Property.

- 1. Summary of Work Performed During the Current Reporting Period:
  - On October 16, Weyerhaeuser received a copy of the *Phase II Environmental Site Assessment* for the Former Plainwell Paper Mill (Fishbeck Thompson Carr & Huber, October 2006), which the City conducted under the State of Michigan's environmental remediation program.
  - On October 19, representatives of Weyerhaeuser and the City of Plainwell met to discuss potential future uses of the former mill property. No decisions were made on specific future uses. The parties agreed that the next step would be to obtain input from developers on potential options. The Developers Forum is schedule for December 13 in Plainwell.
  - On October 23, Weyerhaeuser and U.S. EPA representatives met (via conference call) to update the agency on the progress of the integrated remediation/redevelopment activities (as required under Task 1.D. of the SOW).
  - At the request of the U.S. EPA, Weyerhaeuser obtained permission from the City to send the Phase II ESA Report to the agency. This report was sent to the U.S. EPA on November 13.
- 2. Summary of Data Collected During the Current Reporting Period:
  - No data were collected.
- 3. Summary of Activities Undertaken in Support of the Community Relations Plan (completed during the current reporting period and anticipated during the next period):
  - No activities were undertaken during the current reporting period, and none are anticipated during the next period.
- 4. Summary of Any Modifications to the Work Plans or Other Schedules Proposed To, or Approved By, the U.S. EPA:
  - None.
- 5. Summary of Problems Encountered During the Current Reporting Period:
  - None.
- 6. Summary and Schedule of Work Anticipated During the Next Reporting Period:
  - Continue to assist the City in preparing for the Developers Forum on December 13. Weyerhaeuser representatives will be in attendance at the Forum.
  - On September 29, Weyerhaeuser submitted the Draft RI/FS Work Plan and the Draft Sampling and Analysis Plan to the U.S. EPA for review. When comments on these documents are

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provided by the U.S. EPA, Weyerhaeuser will review and begin addressing them, pursuant to the schedule contained in the SOW.

- 7. Anticipated Problems Associated with Work During the Next Period:
  - None.
- 8. Planned Resolution of Past or Anticipated Problems:
  - None are needed.
- 9. Other Relevant Information:
  - None.